

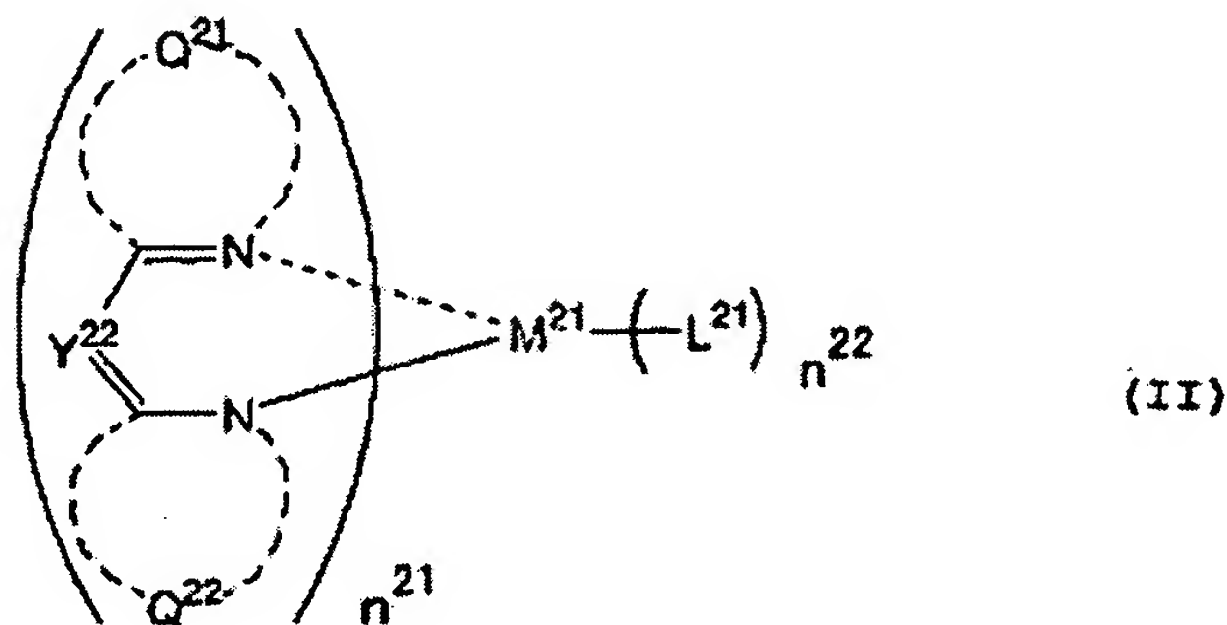
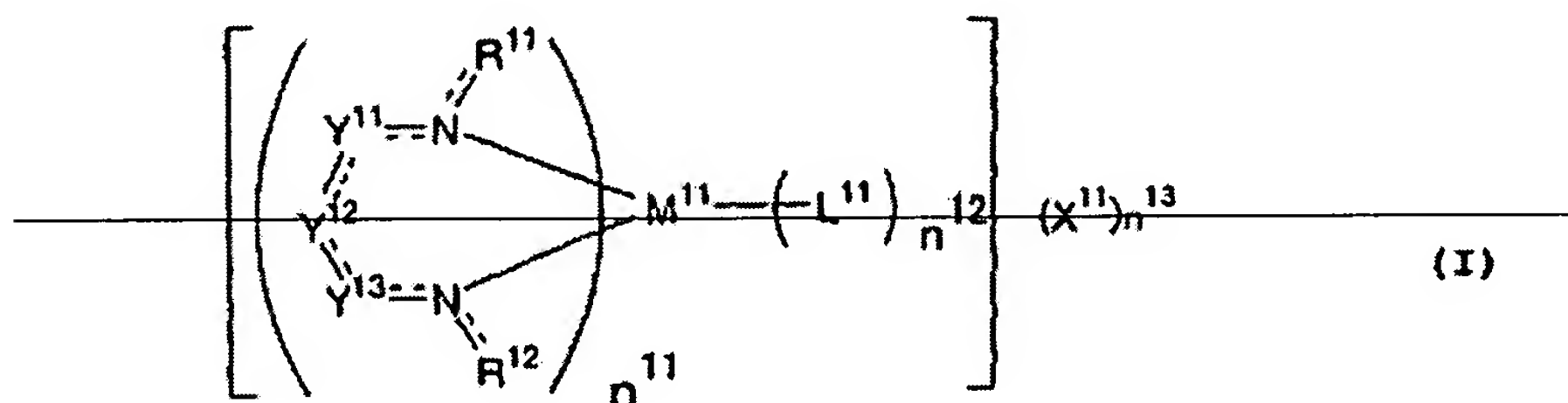
**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. (currently amended): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:  
 a pair of electrodes; and  
 at ~~least~~ least one organic layer provided between the pair of electrodes, at least one of the  
 at ~~least~~ least one organic layer being a light emitting layer,  
 wherein the light-emitting layer comprises a compound represented by the formula

(I)(II):



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wherein  $Q^{21}$  and  $Q^{22}$  each represent a group necessary to form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;  $Y^{22}$  represents a nitrogen atom or a substituted or unsubstituted carbon atom;  $M^{21}$  represents a transition metal ion;  $L^{21}$  represents a ligand;  $n^{21}$  represents an integer of 1 to 3; and  $n^{22}$  represents an integer of 0 to 4;  $R^{+1}$  and  $R^{+2}$  each represent a hydrogen atom or a substituent;  $Y^{+1}$ ,  $Y^{+2}$ , and  $Y^{+3}$  each represent a substituted or unsubstituted carbon atom, a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen atom, an oxygen atom or a sulfur atom;  $M^{+1}$  represents a transition metal ion;  $L^{+1}$  represents a ligand;  $X^{+1}$  represents a counter ion;  $n^{+1}$  represents an integer of 1 to 3;  $n^{+2}$  represents an integer of 0 to 4; and  $n^{+3}$  represents an integer of 0 to 4; with proviso that a compound in which  $R^{+1}Q^{21}$  and  $R^{+2}Q^{22}$  are connected together to form a porphyrin ring is excluded.

2. (canceled).

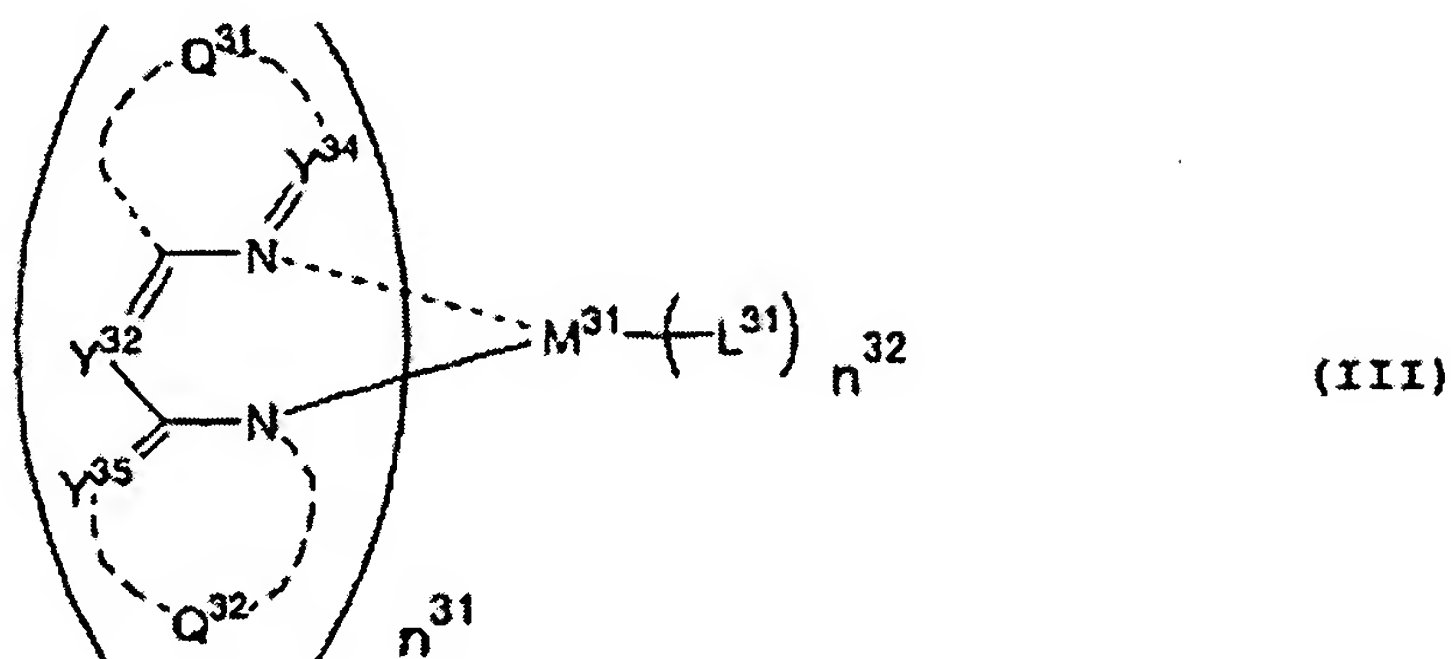
3. (currently amended) AnThe organic electroluminescent device comprising: of  
~~claim 1~~

a pair of electrodes; and

at least one organic layer provided between the pair of electrodes, at least one of the at  
least one organic layer being a light emitting layer,

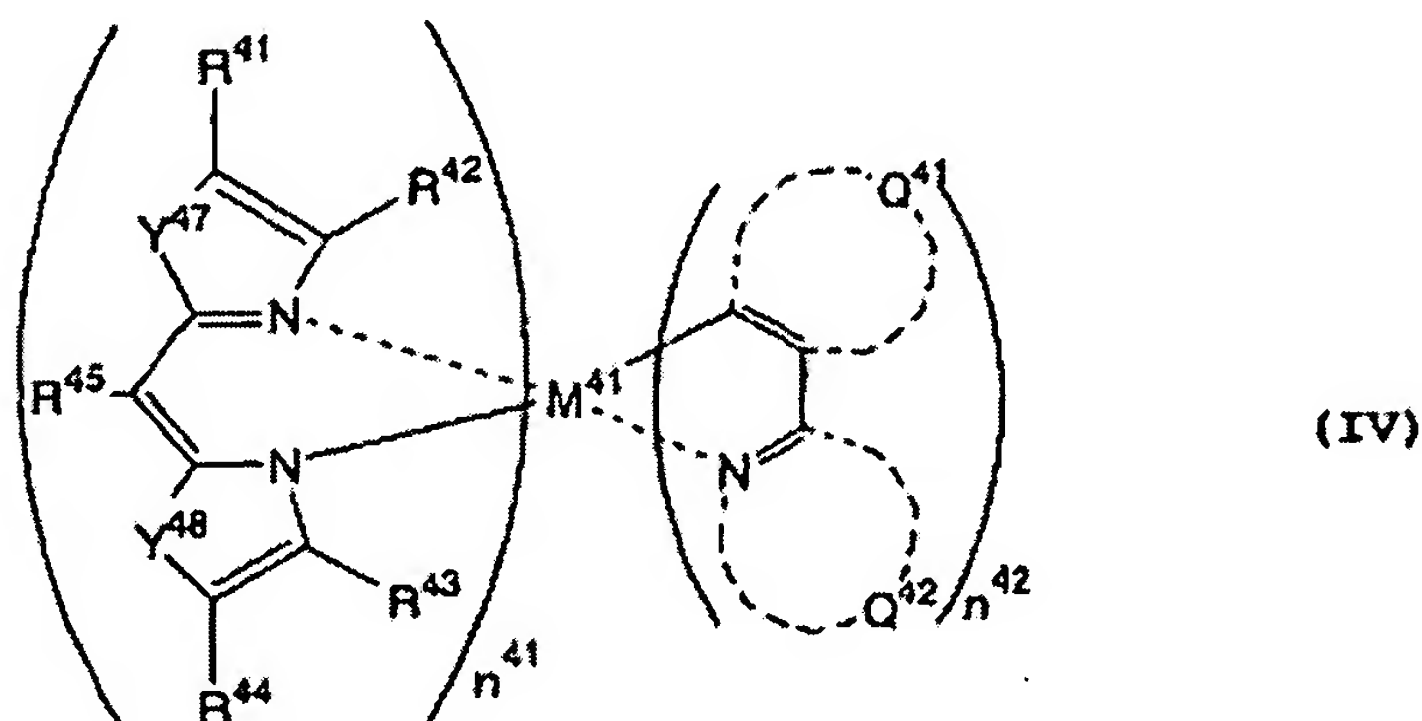
wherein the light-emitting layer comprises, ~~wherein the compound represented by the~~  
~~formula (I) is a compound represented by the formula (III):~~

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wherein  $Q^{31}$  and  $Q^{32}$  each represent a group necessary to form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;  $Y^{32}$ ,  $Y^{34}$ , and  $Y^{35}$  each represent a nitrogen atom or a substituted or unsubstituted carbon atom;  $M^{31}$  represents a transition metal ion;  $L^{31}$  represents a ligand;  $n^{31}$  represents an integer of 1 to 3; and  $n^{32}$  represents an integer of 0 to 4.

4. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 21, wherein the compound represented by the formula (II) is a compound represented by the formula (IV):



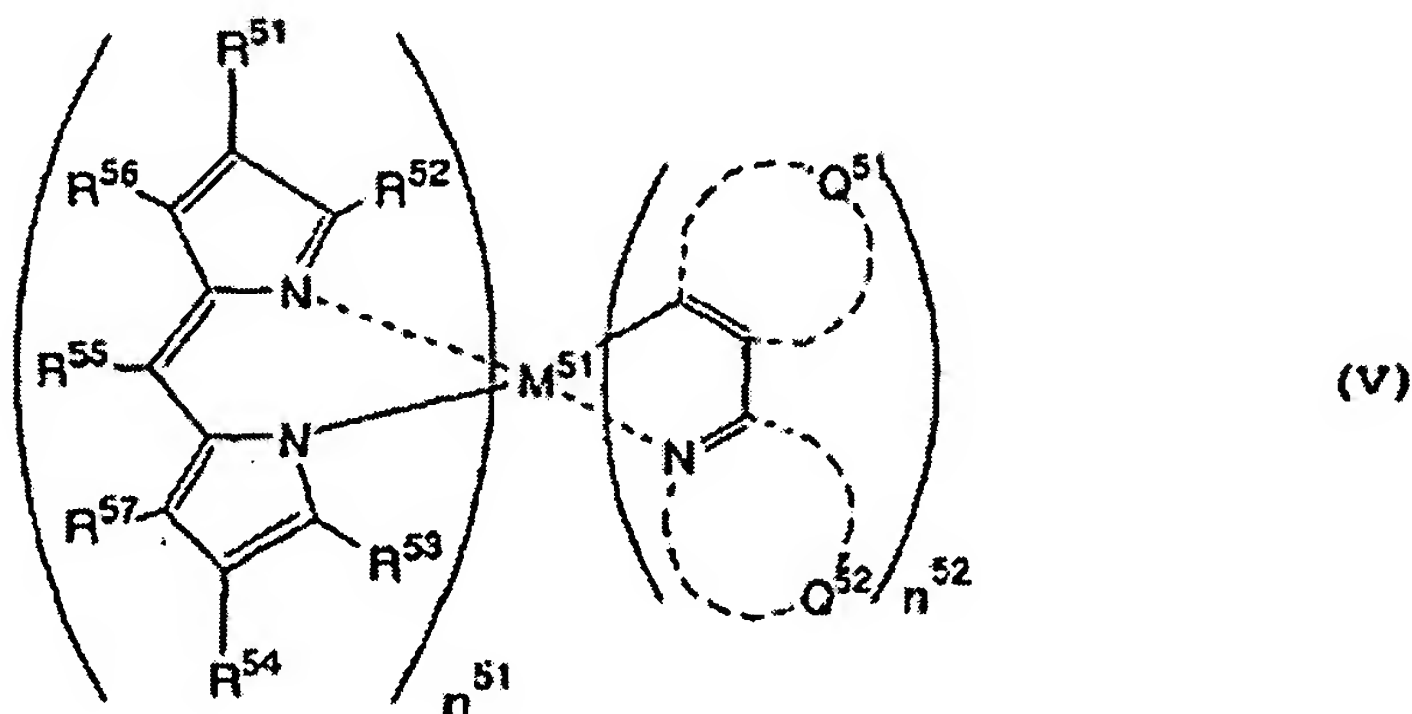
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wherein  $R^{41}$ ,  $R^{42}$ ,  $R^{43}$ ,  $R^{44}$ , and  $R^{45}$  each represent a hydrogen atom or a substituent;  $Y^{47}$  and  $Y^{48}$  each represent an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a quaternary carbon atom or a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen atom;  $Q^{41}$  represents a group necessary to form an aromatic ring;  $Q^{42}$  represents a group necessary to form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;  $n^{41}$  ~~and~~  $n^{42}$  ~~and~~  $n^{42}$  each represent 1 or 2; and  $M^{41}$  represents a transition metal ion.

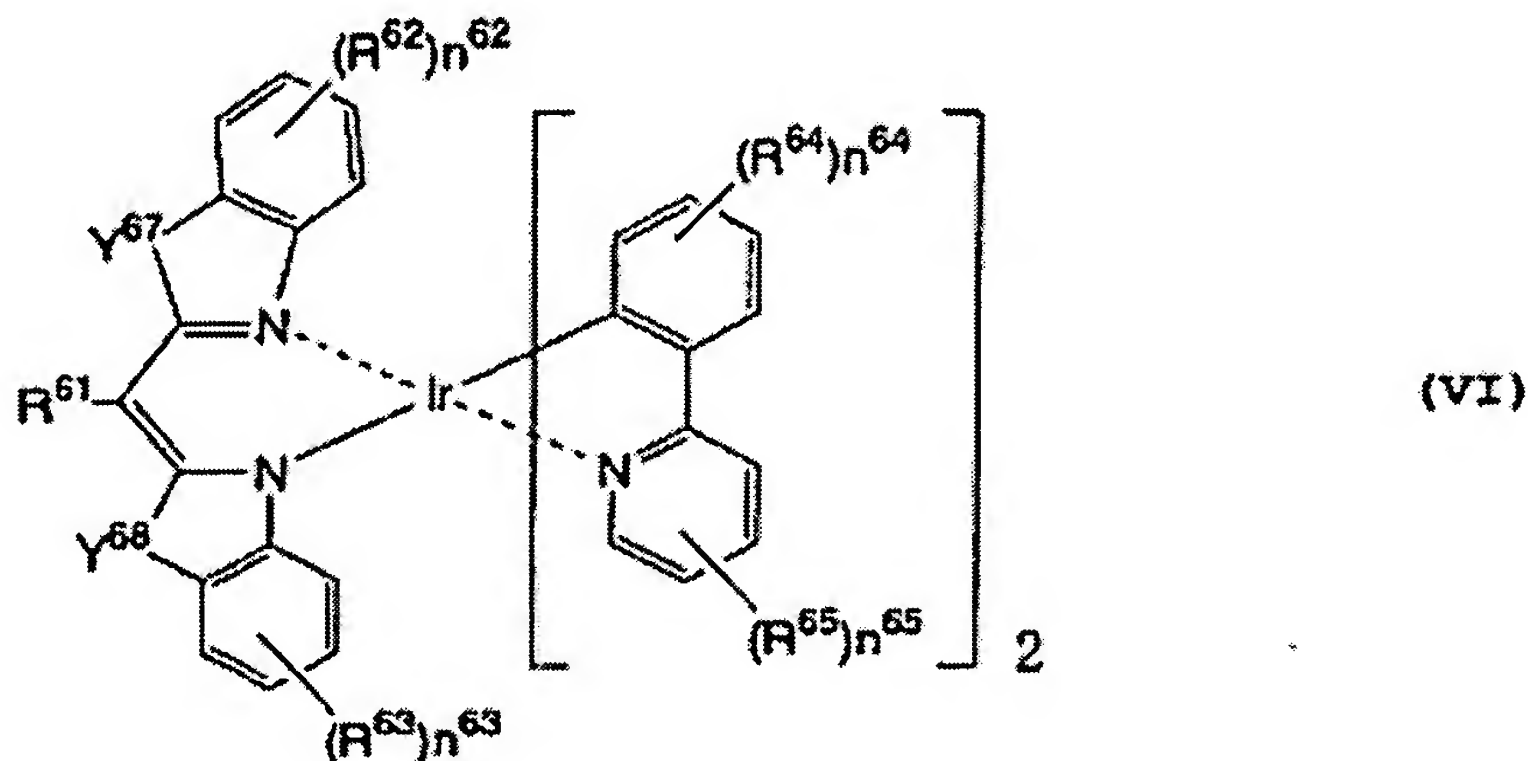
5. (original): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 3, wherein the compound represented by the formula (III) is a compound represented by the formula (V):



wherein  $R^{51}$ ,  $R^{52}$ ,  $R^{53}$ ,  $R^{54}$ ,  $R^{55}$ ,  $R^{56}$ , and  $R^{57}$  each represent a hydrogen atom or a substituent;  $Q^{51}$  represents a group necessary to form an aromatic ring;  $Q^{52}$  represents a group necessary to form a nitrogen-containing heterocyclic ring;  $n^{51}$  and  $n^{52}$  each represent 1 or 2; and  $M^{51}$  represents a transition metal ion.

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6. (original): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 5, wherein the compound represented by the formula (V) is a compound represented by the formula (VI):



wherein  $Y^{67}$  and  $Y^{68}$  each represent an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a quaternary carbon atom or a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen atom;  $R^{61}$ ,  $R^{62}$ ,  $R^{63}$ ,  $R^{64}$ , and  $R^{65}$  each represent a substituent; and  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 to 4.

7. (original): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 6, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 to 2.

8. (original): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 6, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 or 1.

9. (original): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 6, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent 0.

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10. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 1,  
wherein  $M^{11}M^{21}$  represents an iridium ion, a platinum ion, a rhenium ion or a ruthenium ion.

11. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 4,  
wherein  $M^{11}M^{41}$  represents an iridium ion, a platinum ion, a rhenium ion or a ruthenium ion.

12. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 5,  
wherein  $M^{11}M^{51}$  represents an iridium ion, a platinum ion, a rhenium ion or a ruthenium ion.

13. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 1, wherein  
 $n^{11}n^{21}$  represents 1 or 2.

14. (currently amended): The organic electroluminescent device of claim 1, wherein  
 $n^{12}n^{22}$  represents an integer of 0 to 2.

15. (canceled).

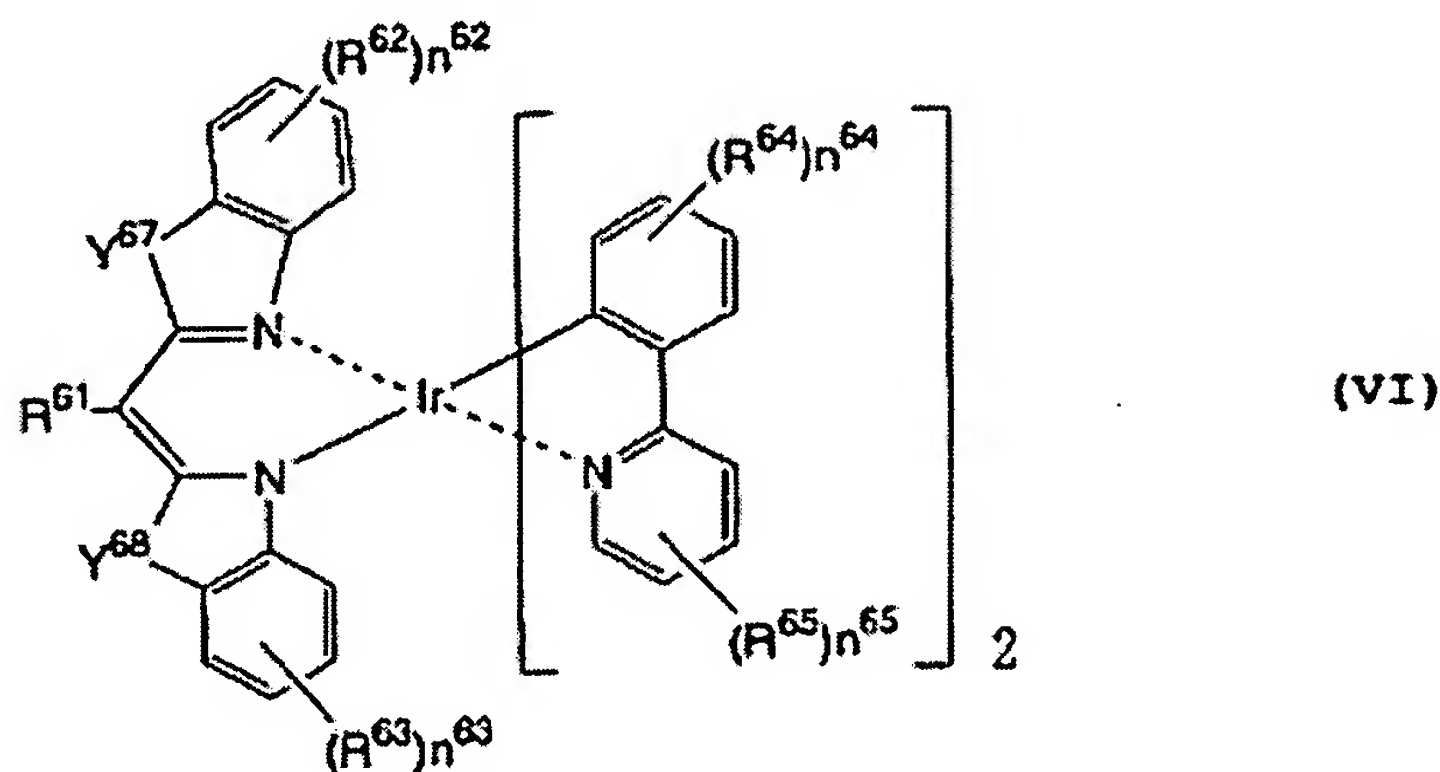
16. (canceled).

17. (original): A compound represented by the formula (VI):

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wherein  $Y^{67}$  and  $Y^{68}$  each represent an oxygen atom, a sulfur atom, a quaternary carbon atom or a substituted or unsubstituted nitrogen atom;  $R^{61}$ ,  $R^{62}$ ,  $R^{63}$ ,  $R^{64}$ , and  $R^{65}$  each represent a substituent; and  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 to 4.

18. (original): The compound of claim 17, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 to 2.

19. (original): The compound of claim 17, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent an integer of 0 or 1.

20. (original): The compound of claim 17, wherein  $n^{62}$ ,  $n^{63}$ ,  $n^{64}$ , and  $n^{65}$  each represent 0.

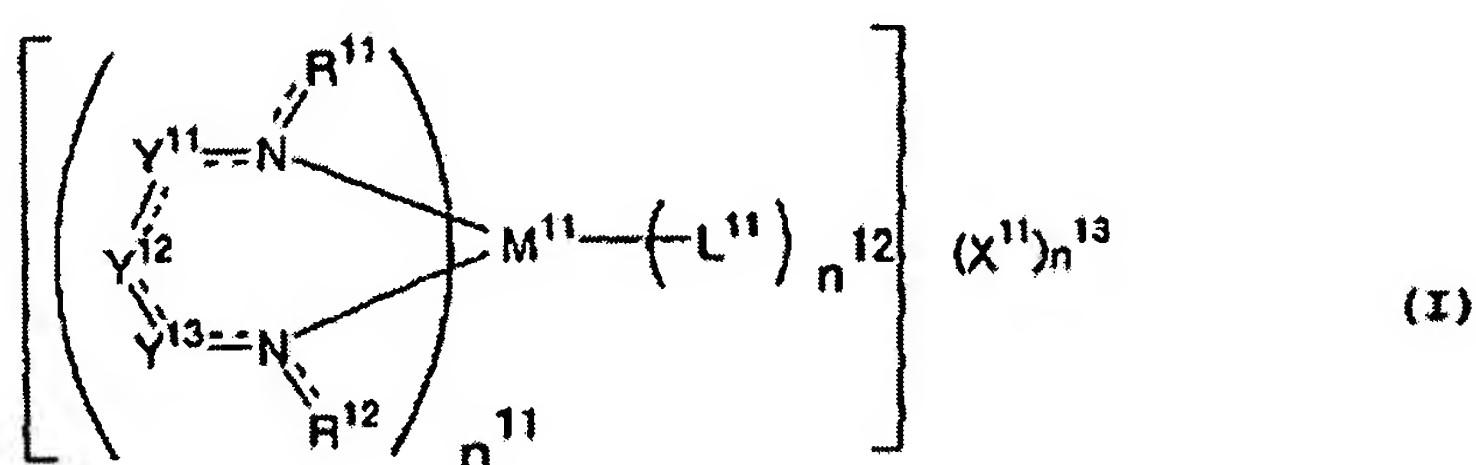
21. (new): An organic electroluminescent device comprising:

a pair of electrodes; and

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at least one organic layer provided between the pair of electrodes, at least one of the at least one organic layer being a light emitting layer,

wherein the light-emitting layer comprises a compound represented by the formula (I):



wherein  $\text{R}^{11}$  and  $\text{R}^{12}$  each represent a substituent;  $\text{Y}^{11}$ ,  $\text{Y}^{12}$ , and  $\text{Y}^{13}$  each represent a substituted carbon atom,  $\text{M}^{11}$  represents iridium;  $\text{L}^{11}$  represents 2-phenyl pyridine;  $\text{X}^{11}$  represents a counter ion;  $n^{11}$  represents an integer of 1;  $n^{12}$  represents an integer of 2; and  $n^{13}$  represents an integer of 0; with proviso that a compound in which  $\text{R}^{11}$  and  $\text{R}^{12}$  are connected together to form a porphyrin ring is excluded.